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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

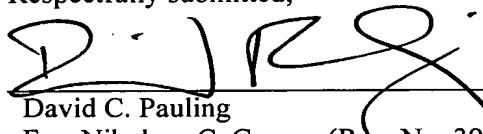
Applicants have carefully considered the restriction requirement mailed June 30, 2004, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, drawn, according to the PTO, to a method of detecting a mutation in an HIV-I reverse transcriptase, without traverse.

Applicants believe no fee is due with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge all required fees, fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 and all required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment, to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013 (order number 101962-999013).

Respectfully submitted,

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